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Title: Irrigation Tip Adaptor for Ultrasonic Handpiece

**RESPONSE TO DECISION BY THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND
INTERFERENCES
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) of 14 August 2009 and in accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.114 and 41.50, Applicant responds as follows: